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Memorial Obituary

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Dr. S. Bachrach, began Age Center

Dr. Samuel Bachrach, 77, of 378 May St., died yesterday in City Hospital after he was stricken ill at his home.

Dr. Bachrach was an internist here for many years, specializing in arthritis and geriatric medicine. He opened a practice here in 1946 and had offices at 44 West St. from 1951 until he retired in 1978.

Dr. Bachrach served for many years on the staff of Worcester Memorial Hospital and was a former lecturer at the hospital's school of nursing. At the time of his death, he was chairman of the hospital's Homer Gage Medical Library. He was also on the associate staff of the University of Massachusetts Medical School until the time of his death.

Dr. Bachrach graduated from Maynard High School in 1928. He earned a bachelor's degree in 1933 from the University of Maine, Orono, and a medical degree from Tufts University Medical School, Boston, in 1938. He also studied at Harvard University Medical School, New York Institute of Physical Medicine and the New York University Medical School.

Dr. Bachrach completed his internship at Rhode Island Hospital in Providence and Worcester Memorial Hospital. He completed his residency at Rhode Island Hospital.

Dr. Bachrach was an Army veteran of World War II, serving with the Army Medical Corps. He was later a flight surgeon with the 9th Air Force, serving with the 3rd Army in England and Belgium under Gen. George S. Patton. After the war, he served in the active Army Reserve for 21 years, retiring in 1966 as a lieutenant colonel.

Dr. Bachrach was a book reviewer for many years for the Sunday Telegram. He was former editor-in-chief of Worcester Medical News, and a longtime publisher and editor of the New England Adage, a lay journal devoted to issues facing the elderly.

Dr. Bachrach was the founding president of the Age Center of Worcester Area and was the founding president of the Worcester County Poetry Association.

He was the founding president and project director of the Worcester Forum for the Study of Values.

Dr. Bachrach was a member of the Worcester District Medical Society, the Massachusetts Medical Association, the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts Public Health Association, and many national groups. He was a former member of the Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology in Shrewsbury.

Dr. Bachrach was a member of Temple Emanuel and a former member of its Brotherhood. He was a member of Worcester Lodge of B'nai B'rith and a former member of the Zionist Organization of America.

Dr. Bachrach was a member of the Worcester Economic Club, the Worcester Retired Officers Association, the Reserve Officers Association of the United States, the Jewish War Veterans and the Worcester Art Museum.

Dr. Bachrach was a member of the Democratic City Committee, the Foreign Policy Association and the Lincoln Group of Boston. He was a former director of the Jewish Community Center and the Worcester Youth Guidance Center.

Dr. Bachrach once served on the Governor's Committee on Problems of the Aging. In 1961, he was a Worcester delegate to the White House Conference on Aging.

Dr. Bachrach was named to the city's first Human Rights Committee and wrote frequently in defense of civil rights.

As a member of Massachusetts Chapter, Medical Commission for Human Rights, Dr. Bachrach participated in freedom marches in Selma, Ala., and Washington, D.C., during the civil rights movement in the 1960s.

Dr. Bachrach was a director of the Worcester Craft Center for two terms, and was past president of the board of trustees of the Worcester Public Library.

He leaves his wife, Lilyan (Zelman) Bachrach; two sons, Dr. Robert Z. Bachrach of Palo Alto, Calif., and Dr. Benjamin I. Bachrach of Dearborn, Mich.; two daughters, Barbara A. Scolnick of Wynnewood, Pa., and Elizabeth Z. Bachrach of Amherst; four brothers, Dr. Louis Bachrach of Brunswick, Maine, Theodore and Joseph Bachrach, both of West Acton, and David Bachrach of Maynard; and nine grandchildren.

He was born in New York City, son of Isaac and Esther (Kreminc-er) Bachrach, and lived 16 years in Maynard. He lived here 42 years.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. today in Perlman Funeral Home, 1026 Main St. Rabbi Joseph Klein will officiate. Burial will be in B'nai B'rith Cemetery.

Memorial week will be observed through Wednesday evening at the residence.

The family requests that flowers be omitted. Memorial contributions may be made instead to the Worcester Forum for the Study of Values, 42 Shattuck St., Worcester 01605.